

2013



Central Oregon Personal Use

FIREWOOD SYNOPSIS

Rules, Regulations and Maps for:

Deschutes & Ochoco National Forests
Crooked River National Grassland
Prineville District of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM)

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REPORT illegal woodcutting or illegal off-road travel!

Call your local ranger district with details

REPORT wildfire

Call 911 or Central Oregon Interagency Dispatch Center (COIDC) 541-416-6800 or 800-314-2560

REQUIREMENTS Checklist:

READ the RULES and REGULATIONS on pages 3-5 AND on the map of your cutting area.*

*YOU are responsible for knowing these rules and regulations.

Permit*, Load Tags, Synopsis, Map of cutting area

*Permittee MUST BE PRESENT when cutting, loading and transporting wood

Shovel, Fire Extinguisher and Spark Arresters

Know the fire precaution level: Call 1-800-523-4737

Cut or remove legal trees in designated area only

No more than 8 cords per household annually

Complete a one-hour fire watch

Tag load properly BEFORE moving vehicle

Fill out product quantity removal record on permit

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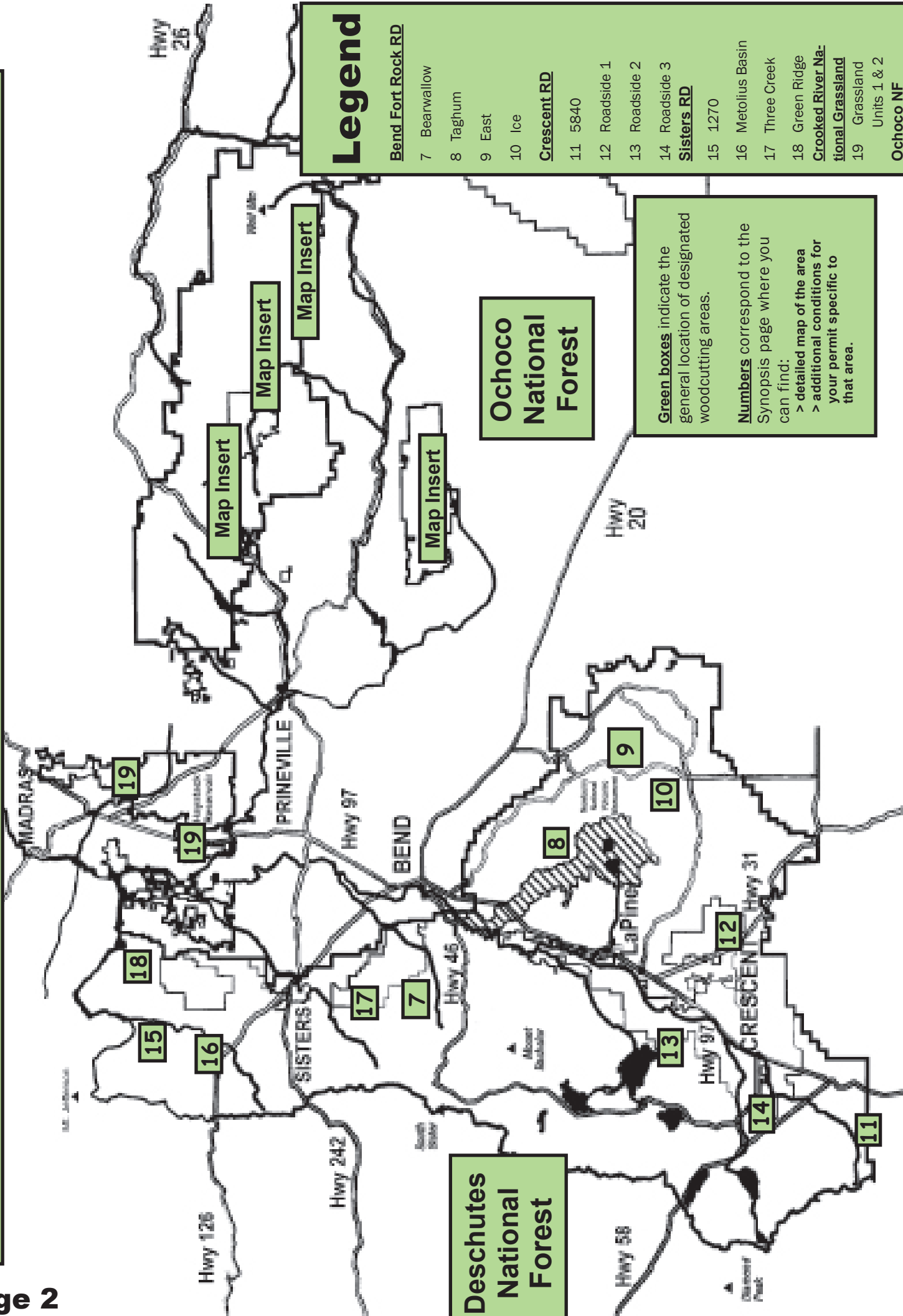
Always properly validate your load tag(s) AND fill out removal record



The **Bureau of Land Management - Prineville District** public use firewood area for western juniper is available to Central Oregon Personal Use Firewood Permit holders. The current woodcutting area is located 22 miles east of Bend/15 miles south of Prineville near the junction of Millican and Reservoir Roads. Maps of the BLM area are available at permit vendor locations (see back page) and on the BLM website: www.blm.gov/or/districts/prineville
Specific firewood cutting areas are subject to change.

ADDITIONAL FIREWOOD CUTTING AREAS may open after publication of the 2013 Synopsis. Contact a Ranger District office regarding the availability of new areas and to obtain a map of the new area. **The specific USDA Forest Service map noting the location of new areas is required to be in your possession when cutting or removing wood.**

2013 Central Oregon Firewood Area Vicinity Map



Legend

Bend Fort Rock RD

- 7 Bearwallow
- 8 Taghum
- 9 East
- 10 Ice

Crescent RD

- 11 5840
- 12 Roadside 1
- 13 Roadside 2
- 14 Roadside 3

Sisters RD

- 15 1270
- 16 Metolius Basin
- 17 Three Creek
- 18 Green Ridge

Crooked River Na-

- tional Grassland
- 19 Grassland Units 1 & 2

Ochoco NF

See Map Insert
BLM Prineville
Not Shown. Get BLM maps at permit locations and on BLM website.

Ochoco National Forest

Deschutes National Forest

Green boxes indicate the general location of designated woodcutting areas.

Numbers correspond to the Synopsis page where you can find:
> detailed map of the area
> additional conditions for your permit specific to that area.

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Rules and Regulations

In addition to *General and Other Conditions* listed on your permit, violation of the following rules can result in fines and/or suspension of firewood cutting privileges.

1) Woodcutter must have in their possession:

- ☐ Permit. Permittee must be present.
- ☐ Synopsis with map of the area you are cutting in
- ☐ Load tags
- ☐ Fire equipment (*all 3 required*):
 - Spark arrester 0.023" or less on chain saw
 - Shovel - long handled, round point, 8" blade (size 0)
 - Fire extinguisher with a pressurized chemical of no less than 8 ounce capacity by weight.

2) A current year's load tag must be validated by completely removing the month and day that you are removing the firewood. The validated tag must be highly visible at the back of the load, and displayed prior to moving the vehicle. Previous year's tags are not valid. One tag is required for every 1/2 cord of firewood, or any portion thereof. See calendar and illustrations on page 5.

3) Fill out Product Removal Record on your signed permit.

4) Woodcutting activity is permitted only within designated firewood area boundaries as specified on woodcutting map.

5) **WOODCUTTING IS PROHIBITED** in all posted timber sales, contract areas, developed campgrounds, old growth areas, research natural areas, riparian areas (riparian areas are defined as land within 300 feet of water such as springs, streams, wet meadows, floodplains and overflow channels) and all other areas posted closed to woodcutting.

6) Do not cut trees (standing and/or down) marked with paint, signs, wildlife tags, blazes or with any evidence of wildlife habitation such as nests or cavities.

7) Open and close dates, species authorized for removal and other restrictions vary depending on the specific designated firewood area. These restrictions are listed in the box above the individual area maps.

See specific cutting area maps for opening dates.

All areas CLOSE by November 30, 2013.

8) Woodcutting is authorized for dead trees only, or as specified on woodcutting maps. Some areas do not allow the cutting of standing dead trees.

9) Where cutting of standing trees is allowed, stump heights can't exceed 12 inches. Maximum length of wood allowed to be transported is 6 feet. Remove all wood down to 3 inches in diameter for less waste.

10) Protect all green trees and other vegetation during falling and removal activities. Live trees and other vegetation may not be cut to create access to firewood.

11) The only power equipment authorized for use are: chainsaws, winches and hydraulic splitters, unless otherwise prohibited in specific cutting areas.

12) Each household may purchase up to 8 cords of personal-use firewood annually. Cost is \$10.00 per cord; minimum purchase two cords per permit.

13) Woodcutters must comply with all road closures, seasonal road closures, and transport firewood in vehicles less than 26,000 lbs GVW.

14) Off road travel restrictions are noted on each specific cutting area map.

15) Cut and scatter limbs and tops so they lie no more than 12" from the ground. This reduces potential for wildfire. Remove all slash from roads and ditches.

16) Fire restrictions are listed on page 4 and must be followed.

Know Where You Are & Where You Are Cutting

Watch for the following signs:

Entering



Firewood
Cutting Area

Leaving



Firewood
Cutting Area

Sensitive Forest
Resource Area

Woodcutting is
NOT Authorized
Behind This sign



Timber
Sale Area

NO Firewood
Cutting Allowed



Woodcutter FIRE Requirements

You must **KNOW** and **COMPLY WITH** the current Industrial Fire Precaution Level (IFPL).

Call the toll-free **24-hour recorded message line** at: **1-800-523-4737**

or Visit the Central Oregon Fire website at: www.fs.fed.us/r6/centraloregon/fire/ifpl

INDUSTRIAL FIRE PRECAUTION LEVELS

Level I:

Stay in the area for one hour after power equipment has been shut off to watch for fire starts AND carry equipment listed below.

Level II:

SHUT DOWN ALL POWER EQUIPMENT AT 1:00 PM, AND STAY IN THE AREA FOR ONE HOUR after power equipment has been shut off to watch for fire starts AND carry equipment listed below.

Level III and IV: All woodcutting activity is **PROHIBITED**.

All Precaution Levels Require:

ALL power equipment be in good repair with a screen type spark-arrester of 0.023" or less and qualified under USDA/USDI Federal standards

AND ALWAYS keep **BOTH** of the following tools with you:

- ❑ **Shovel:** Long-handled round point with an 8" blade (Size 0)
in possession of operator
- ❑ **Fire Extinguisher:** Pressurized chemical of not less than
8 ounce capacity by weight

Remember

Faulty spark arresters cause wildfires! *Maintain your saw screen and keep your saw in good working order.*

Parking on vegetation causes wildfires! *Park in cleared areas away from brush and grass.*

Careless smoking causes wildfires! *Use your ashtray.*

Wildfires are expensive! *Don't be the cause of one.*

To report a wildfire call 911 or

Central Oregon Interagency Dispatch Center 541-416-6800 or 800-314-2560

**All Woodcutting
Closes By
November 30, 2013**

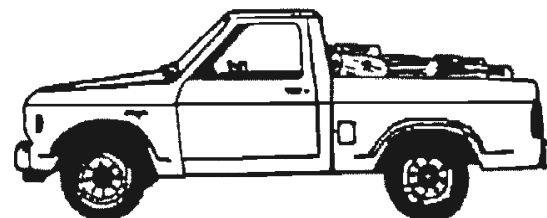
Validate & Use Load Tags Correctly

1. Measure your load of wood to determine how many tags are necessary

ONE CORD = (4 feet) x (4 feet) x (8 feet) = 128 cubic feet
height x width x length

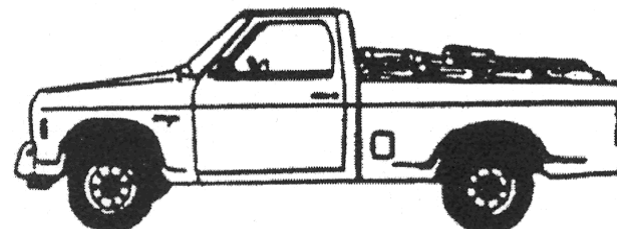
Shortbed pickup truck

1/2 cord or less = 1 tag



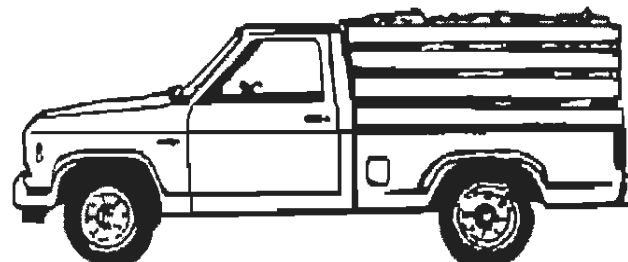
Full size pickup truck

1/2 cord or less = 1 tag



Full-size pickup with rails

1 cord = 2 tags



2. Properly validate your load tags

This permit requires you to COMPLETELY REMOVE the current day and month tabs from each load tag needed.

SECURELY ATTACH all required load tags to the back of your load in a highly visible location

ATTACH ONE CURRENT YEAR'S LOAD TAG FOR EACH 1/2 cord or portion thereof (see #2 on page 3).

FILL OUT PRODUCT REMOVAL RECORD on permit.



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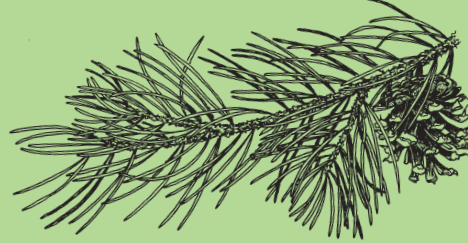
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Central Oregon Tree Descriptions

Lodgepole pine bark is thin, flaky and gray with no crevices, except near the base of the tree. Prickly, egg-shaped cones, seldom longer than 2 inches, may remain closed on the tree for years.

Ponderosa pine egg-shaped cones are 3-6 inches long and each scale is tipped with a short, straight prickle, hence the nickname "prickly ponderosa." The bark is much thicker than lodgepole pine bark and sheds jigsaw puzzle flakes. The bark on young trees is nearly black, while mature trees are yellow or orange in color. Bark crevices of older trees and cut branches have a pitchy smell similar to turpentine.

Lodgepole pine-two needle bundles 1-3" long, thin gray bark with no crevices.



Ponderosa pine-three needle bundles 5-10" long. Bark is much thicker than lodgepole and has crevices.



juniper

Juniper needles are tiny, scalelike and scratchy to the touch. Juniper trees have bluish-white coated berries instead of cones. The bark is thin, reddish-brown and fibrous.

White fir horizontal branches form a pointed, narrow crown. Flat, flexible needles extend in rows perpendicular to the stem. Needles are light bluish green with white lines above and are 1 to 2.5 inches long. Light gray bark is much thicker than lodgepole pine bark. Cones are greenish-yellow or purplish, 3-5 inches long, and cylindrical, growing upright from the topmost twigs. Cone scales have fine hairs and short concealed bracts. White fir produces a fragrant resin which rises in small blisters on the trunk.



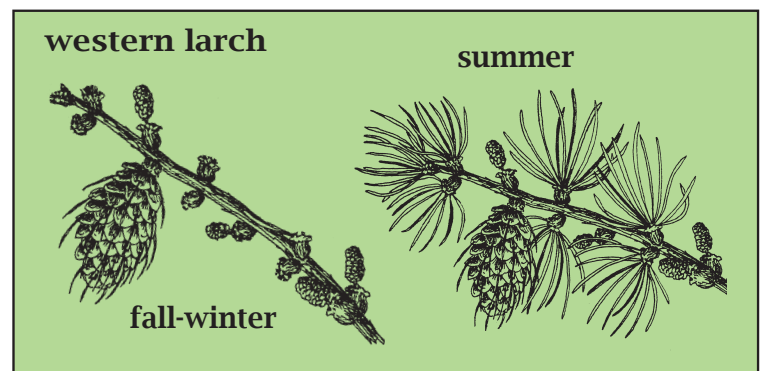
white fir



Douglas-fir

Douglas-fir needles are 1 inch long with a blunt tip. They surround the twig like the bristles of a bottle brush and are soft to touch. Cones are 3-4 inches long. Pitchfork shaped bracts are longer than the scales and hang down. The bark has resin blisters when young and is reddish-brown with deep furrows when mature.

Western larch also called Tamarack is Oregon's only native conifer that sheds its needles after they turn yellow in the late fall or winter. Spring needles are very light green and darken over the summer. Needles cluster on stout woody pegs. Whiskery cones are small and woody, 1-2 inches long with papery bracts that are longer than the scales. Bark is reddish-orange, furrowed and flakes off in irregular shaped pieces.



western larch

summer

fall-winter

Want to learn more about trees? Contact your local Ranger District.

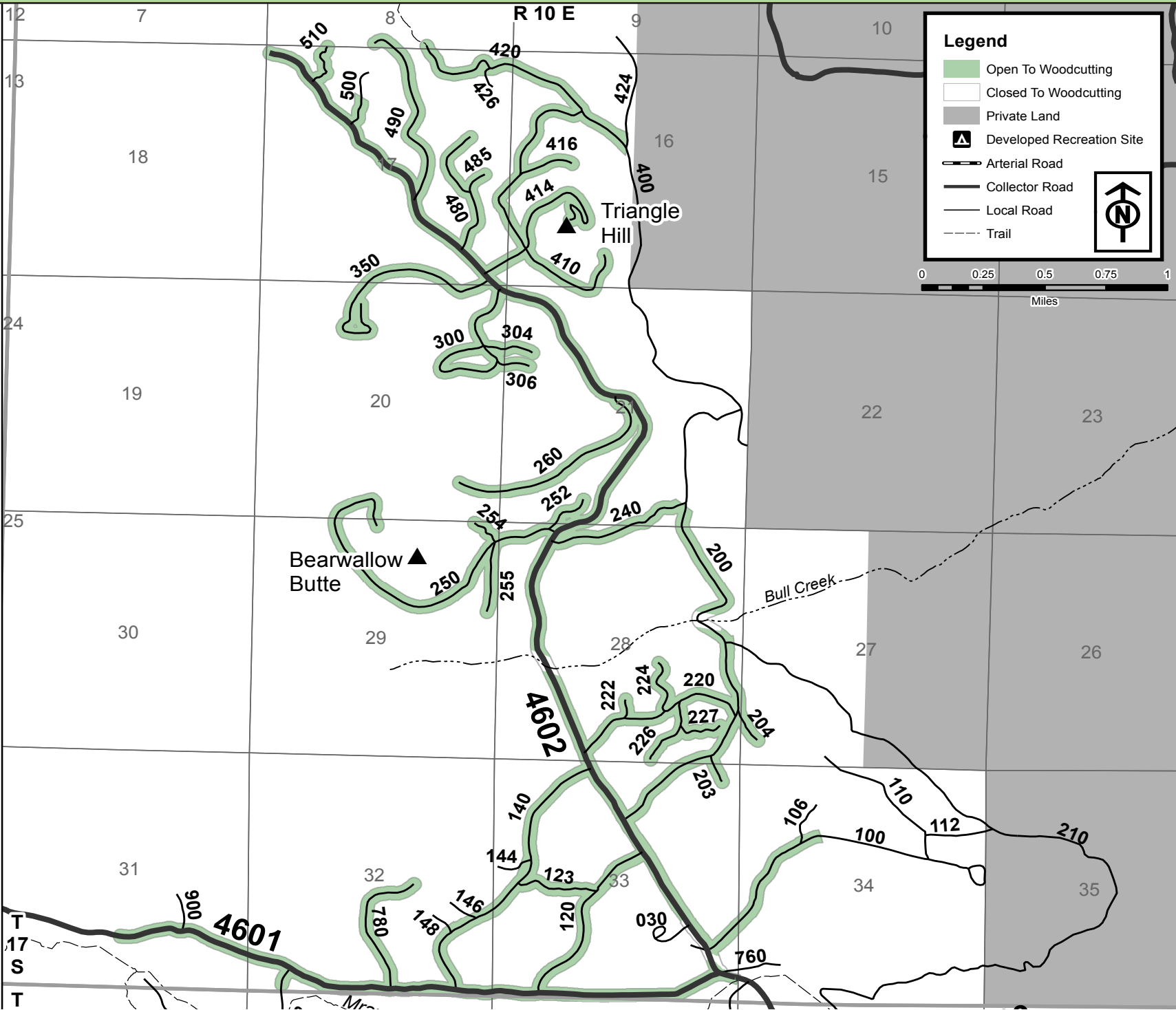
Bearwallow

OPENS: July 1
CLOSES: November 12

YOU CAN CUT AND REMOVE: DEAD LODGEPOLE PINE, standing or down, within 150 feet of roads designated in color below. Trees removed may have a stump diameter no greater than 24 inches (measured 12 inches above the ground for standing trees or 12 inches above root collar for down trees).

SPECIAL REGULATIONS FOR THIS AREA: Vehicles must stay on designated roads or shoulders. Slash must be lopped and scattered so that it lies no more than 12 inches above ground. All slash must be kept 20 feet from roads and ditches. Be aware of heavy machinery in the area and possible area closures. Do not fell trees on roads.

Directions: From Bend, travel approximately 9 miles west on Skyliners Road. Once you cross the bridge at Tumalo Creek, continue on to the right on road 4601 and proceed 4 miles to the cutting area.



Taghum

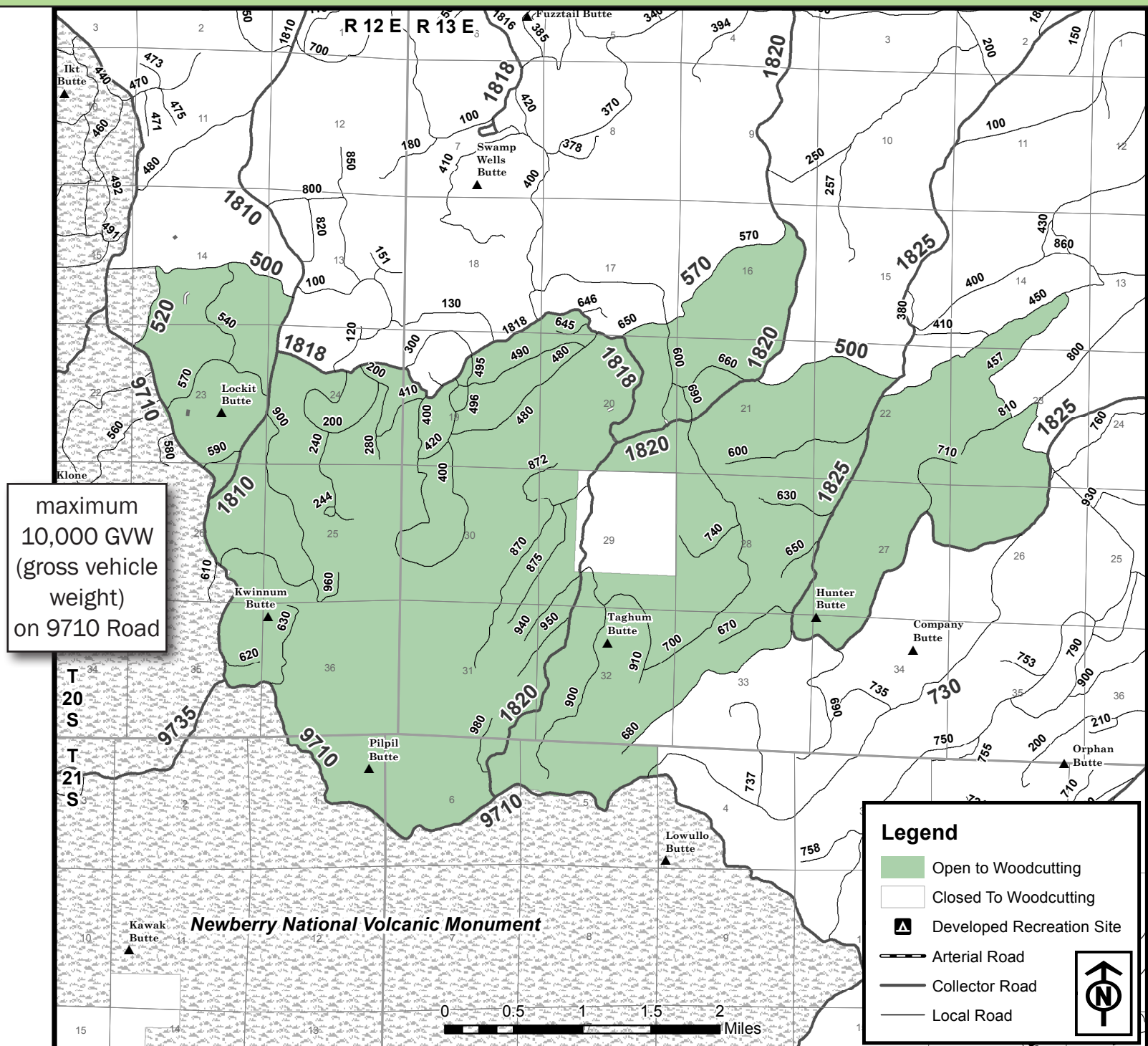
OPENS: May 13
CLOSES: November 30

YOU CAN CUT AND REMOVE: Standing **DEAD LODGEPOLE** pine and down dead lodgepole pine.

Area Description: WOOD SUPPLY **IS SPARSE**, especially along main roads. Most of the remaining wood is small and on the ground.

Off road access is allowed. Live trees and other vegetation may NOT be cut to create access to firewood.

Directions: From Bend, travel southeast on Road 18 (China Hat Road) about 5 miles to Road 1810. Go south about 10 miles to Road 1818 in the NW corner of the Taghum cutting area.



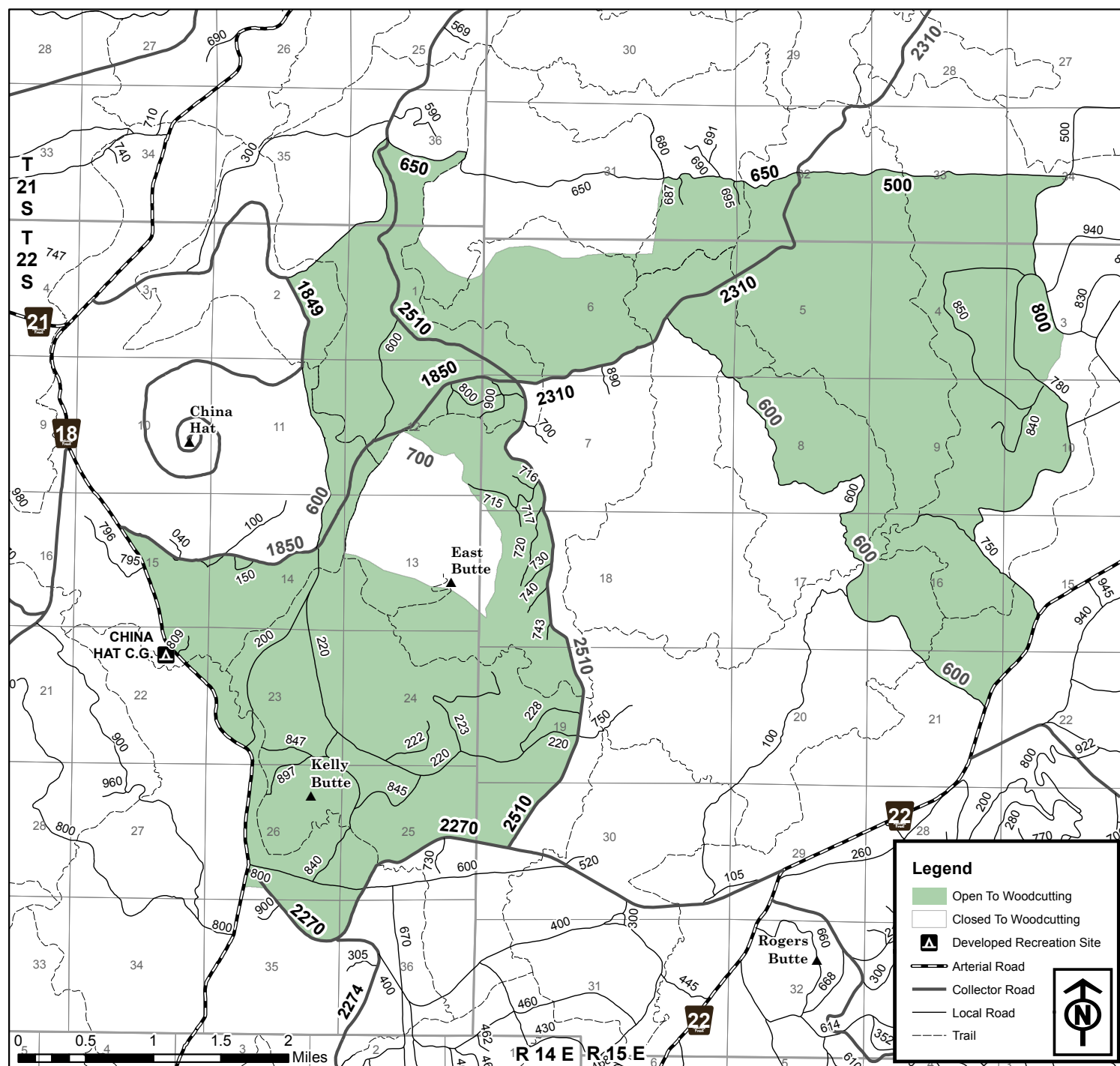
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Special Note: Use of O.H.V. trails by woodcutters is prohibited. All slash and debris must be kept off all O.H.V. trails.

Off road access is allowed. Live trees and other vegetation may NOT be cut to create access to firewood.

Directions: From Bend, travel southeast on Road 18 (China Hat Road) about 32 miles to the NW corner of the cutting area. From LaPine, travel east on Road 22 about 26 miles to Road 18. Travel north on Road 18 about 4 miles to Road 2270. This is the SW corner of the cutting area.



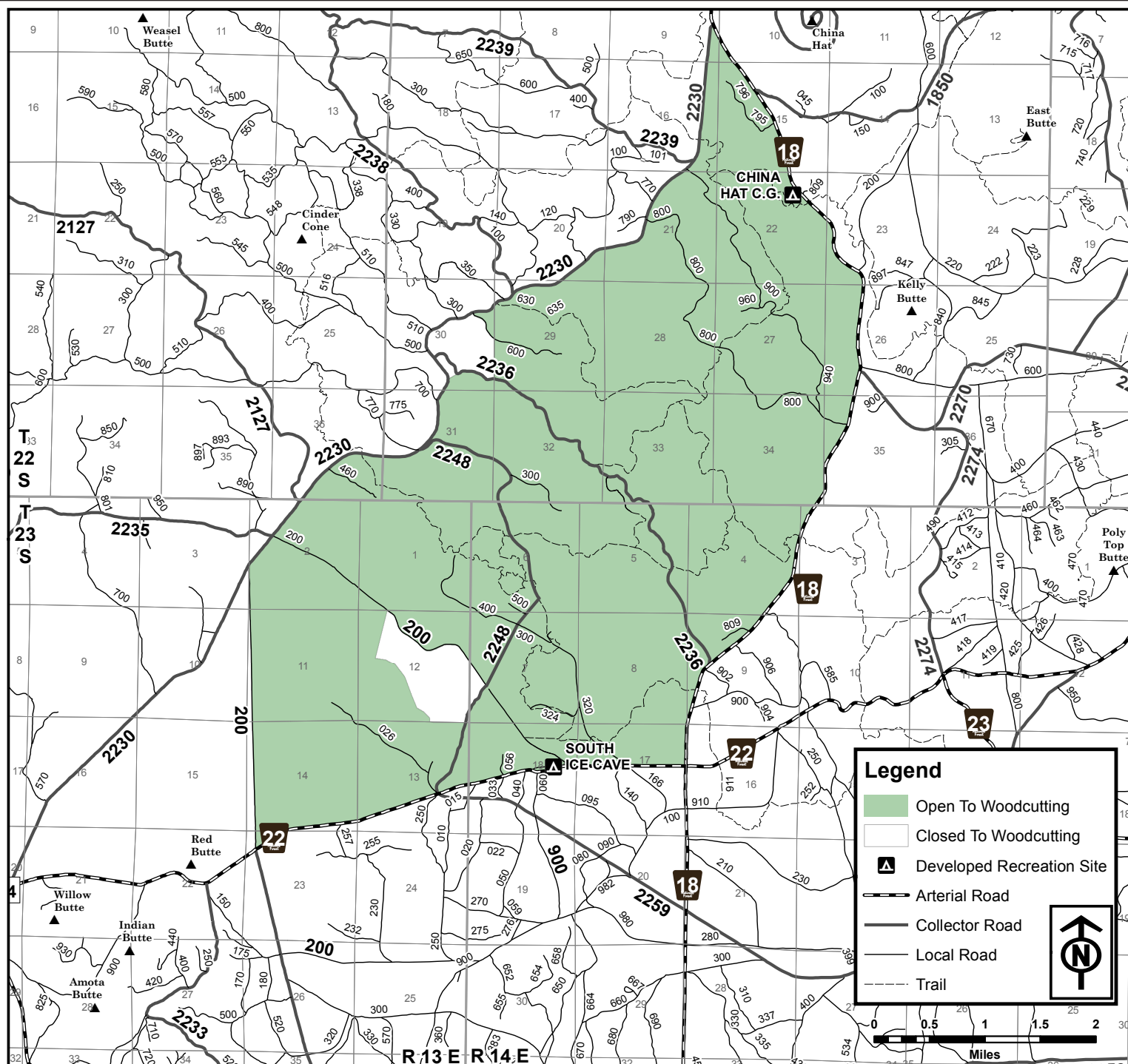
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Directions: Travel east from La Pine on Road 22 about 22 miles to Road 200, the western edge of the area.

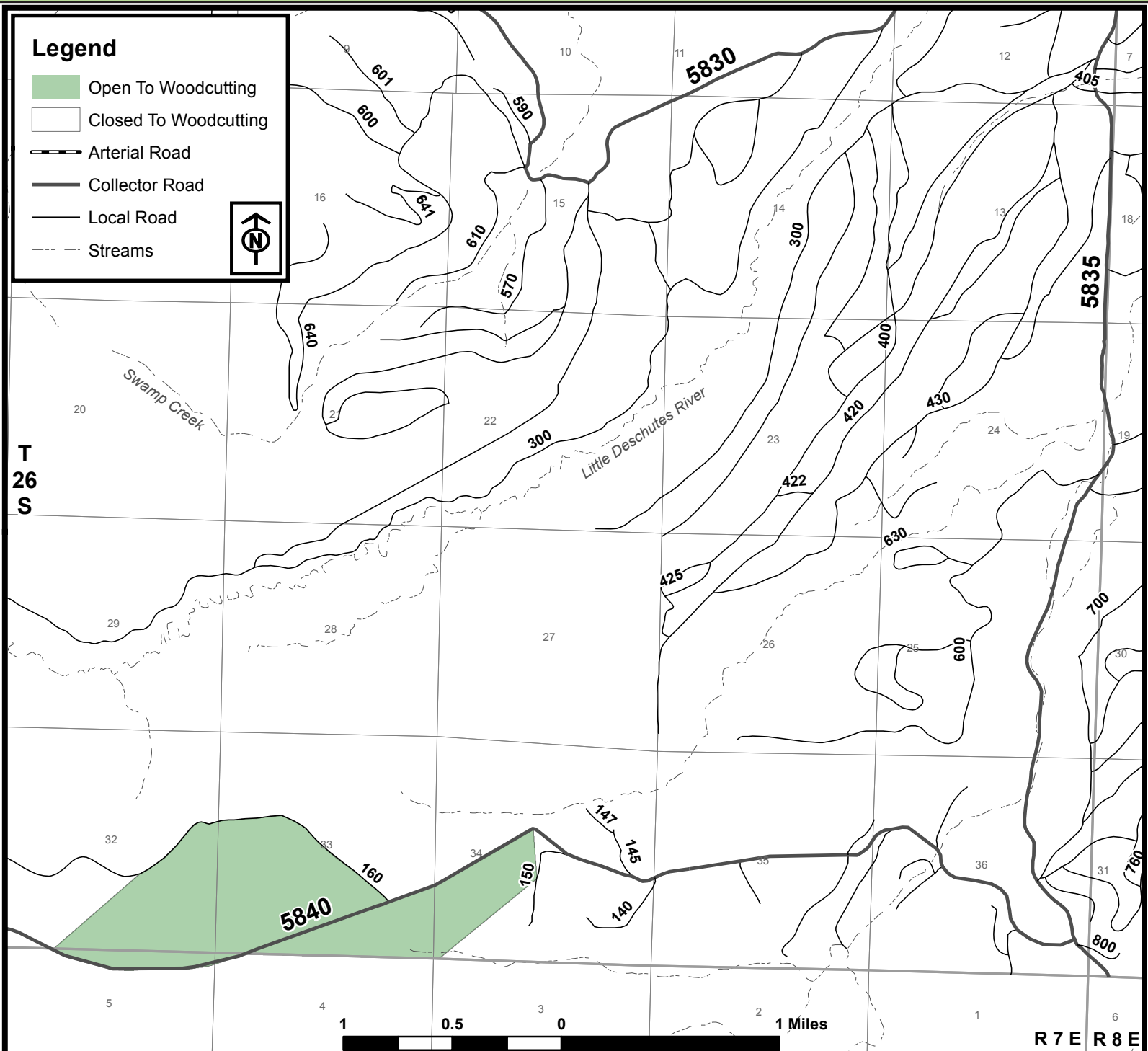


YOU CAN CUT AND REMOVE: DOWN dead lodgepole pine. **Felling standing trees is prohibited.**

SPECIAL NOTE: 5840 borders a firewood cutting area on the Chemult district of the Fremont Winema National Forest. You will need a separate permit to cut in that area. Most of the wood is small and scattered.

Off road access is allowed. Live trees and other vegetation may NOT be cut to create access to firewood.

Directions: Travel south of Crescent on Hwy. 97 for about 15 miles to Road 9774. Head west on Road 9774 to Road 5840. West on Road 5840 to cutting area.



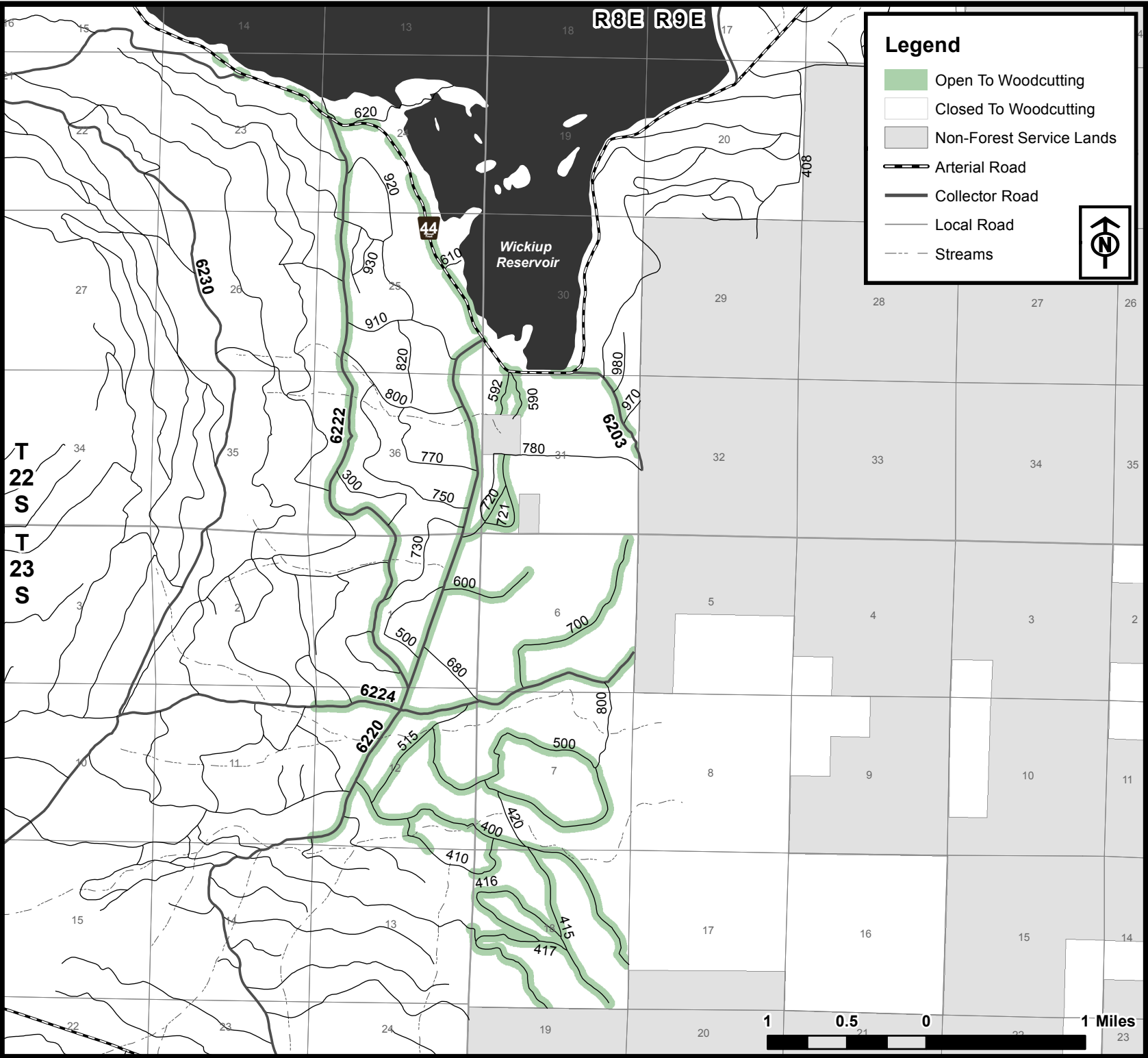
DIRECTIONS: From Crescent Ranger District, go North on Hwy. 97 approximately 13 miles, then East on Hwy. 31 approx. 11 miles to Road 9775770.



YOU CAN CUT AND REMOVE: Roads available for firewood removal are signed as entering or leaving firewood cutting area. Firewood removal is restricted to maximum of 200 feet from designated road. Felling of dead and green trees is prohibited. Only down wood is permitted for removal.

Off road access is allowed.

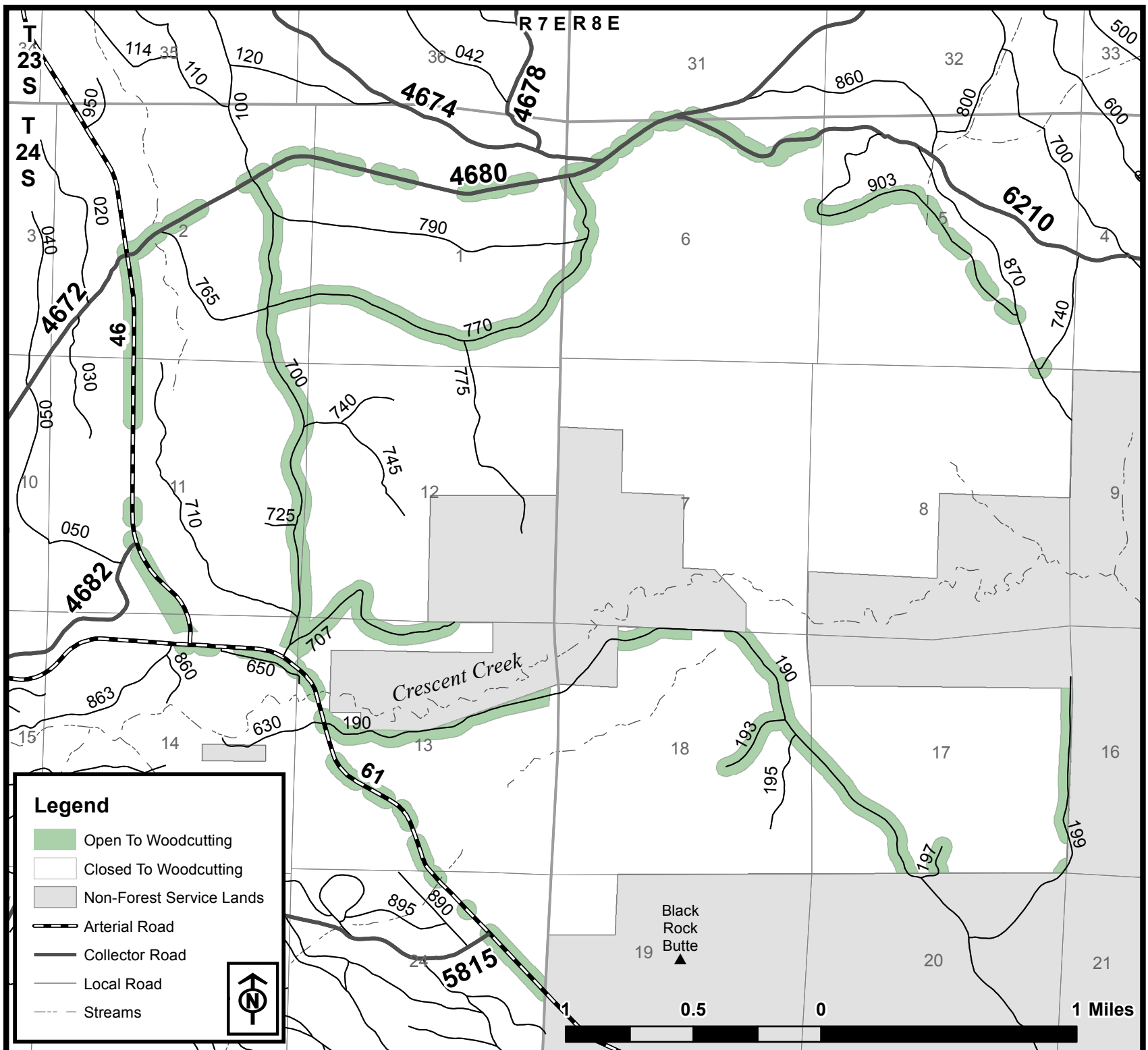
Directions: From Crescent Ranger District / Hwy. 61, go approximately 9 miles to Hwy. 46, go approx. 11 miles to Road 44, go approx. 4 miles to Road 6220.



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Off road access is allowed.

Directions: From Crescent Ranger District, go west on Hwy. 61 approximately 8 miles.



Directions: Located 19 miles NW of Sisters. From Sisters, go NW on Hwy 20/126 about 8 miles to Rd 14 leading to Camp Sherman. Take Rd 14 north 2.5 miles to Rd 1419 at the Head of the Metolius River junction. Take Rd 1419 (the left fork) north about 2 miles to the junction with roads 1420 and 1216 at the stop sign. Continue north at the stop sign on Rd 1420 about 3 miles to Rd 12. Turn right (north on Rd 12 and go about 1/4 mile to Rd 1270. Turn right on Rd 1270 and go north about 3 miles to FS spur roads 900 or 970 which lead into the cutting area.



Directions: Located 17 miles NW of Sisters. From Sisters, go west on Hwy 20/126 approximately 12.4 miles. Turn right (north) on Road 12/Jack Lake Rd for approximately 2.8 miles, turn left (west) onto Road 1220 for approximately 1.7 miles to start of cutting area.



Three Creek

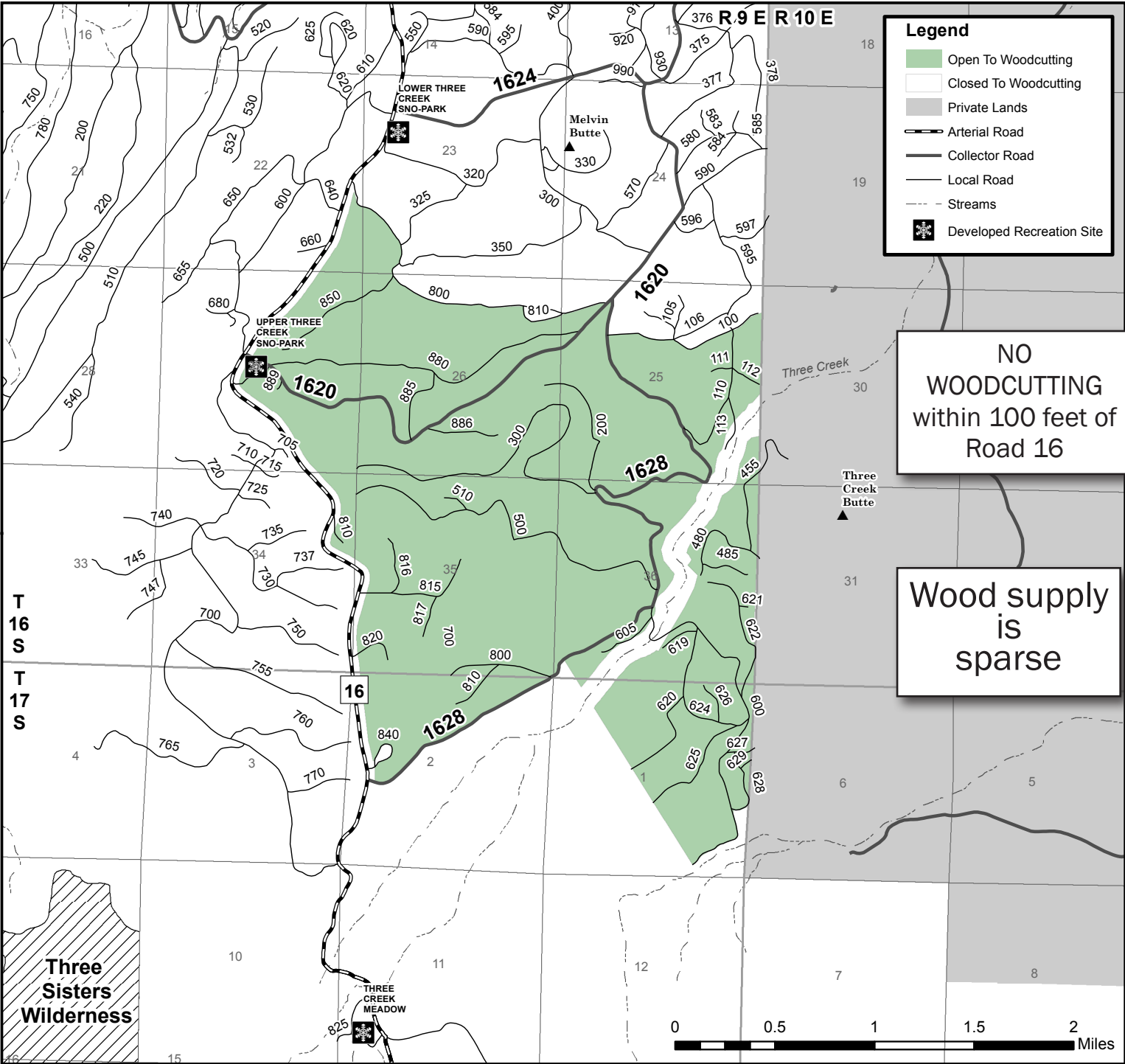
OPENS: April 29
CLOSES: November 30

YOU CAN CUT AND REMOVE: All species of standing dead or down dead EXCEPT ponderosa pine.

CUTTING and REMOVAL of dead DOUGLAS-FIR is allowed only for: Standing or down trees less than 22 inches diameter, measured 12 inches above the root collar; OR the down portions only of trees greater than 22 inches diameter that are down as a result of NATURAL CAUSES (windthrown with root masses, parts broken out of standing trees), NOT FELLED BY CHAIN SAW.

Off road access is allowed. Live trees and other vegetation may not be cut to create access to firewood.

Directions: Located 10 miles south of Sisters on Road 16 (Elm Street becomes FS16).



Green Ridge

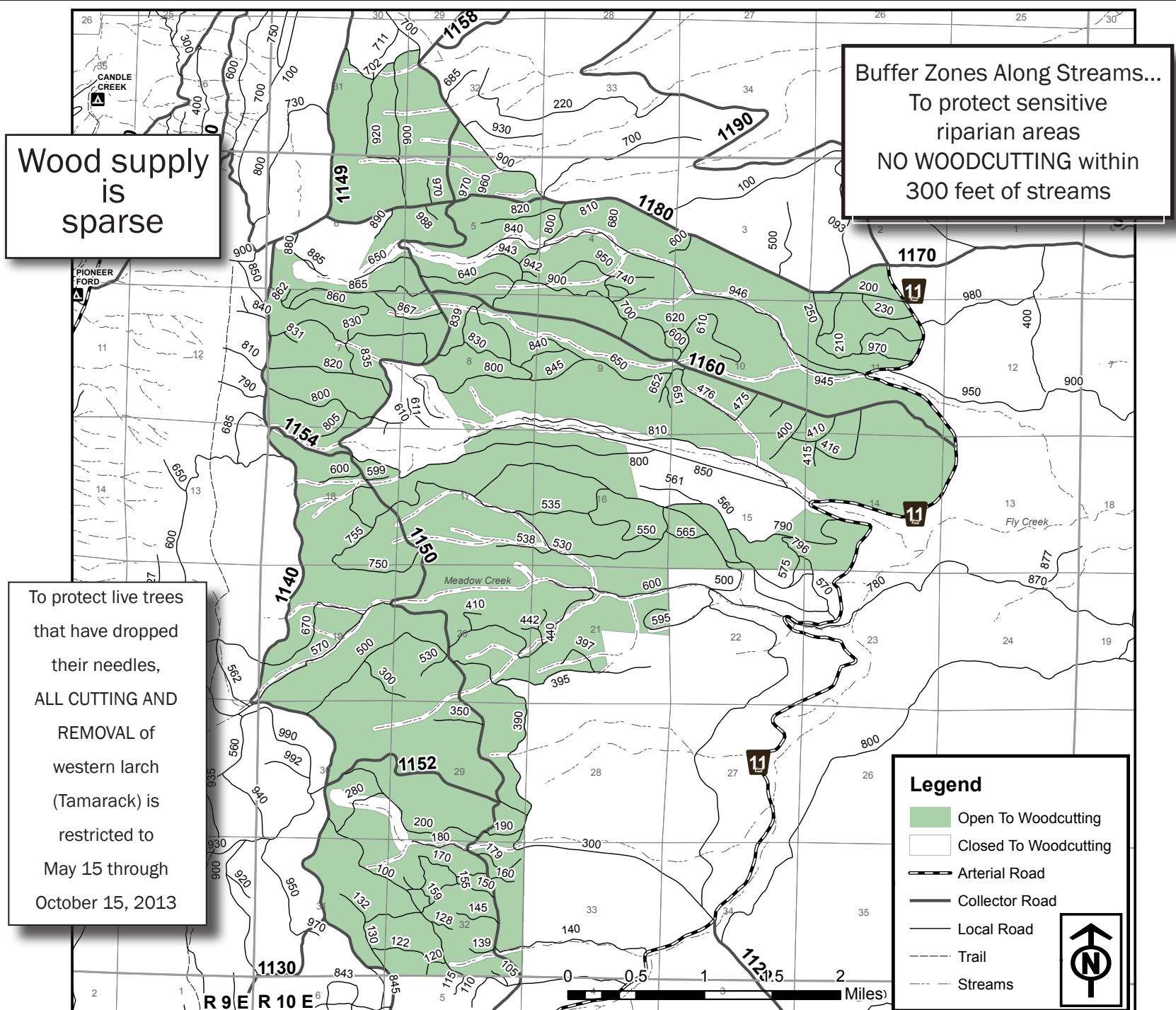
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Directions: Located 16 miles north of Sisters. From Sisters, go NW on Hwy 20 approx. 5 miles to Road 11 at Indian Ford, then north on Road 11 approx. 10 miles to Road 1150, then 1150 north approx. 1 mile to Deschutes NF boundary and cutting area.



Grassland 1 & 2

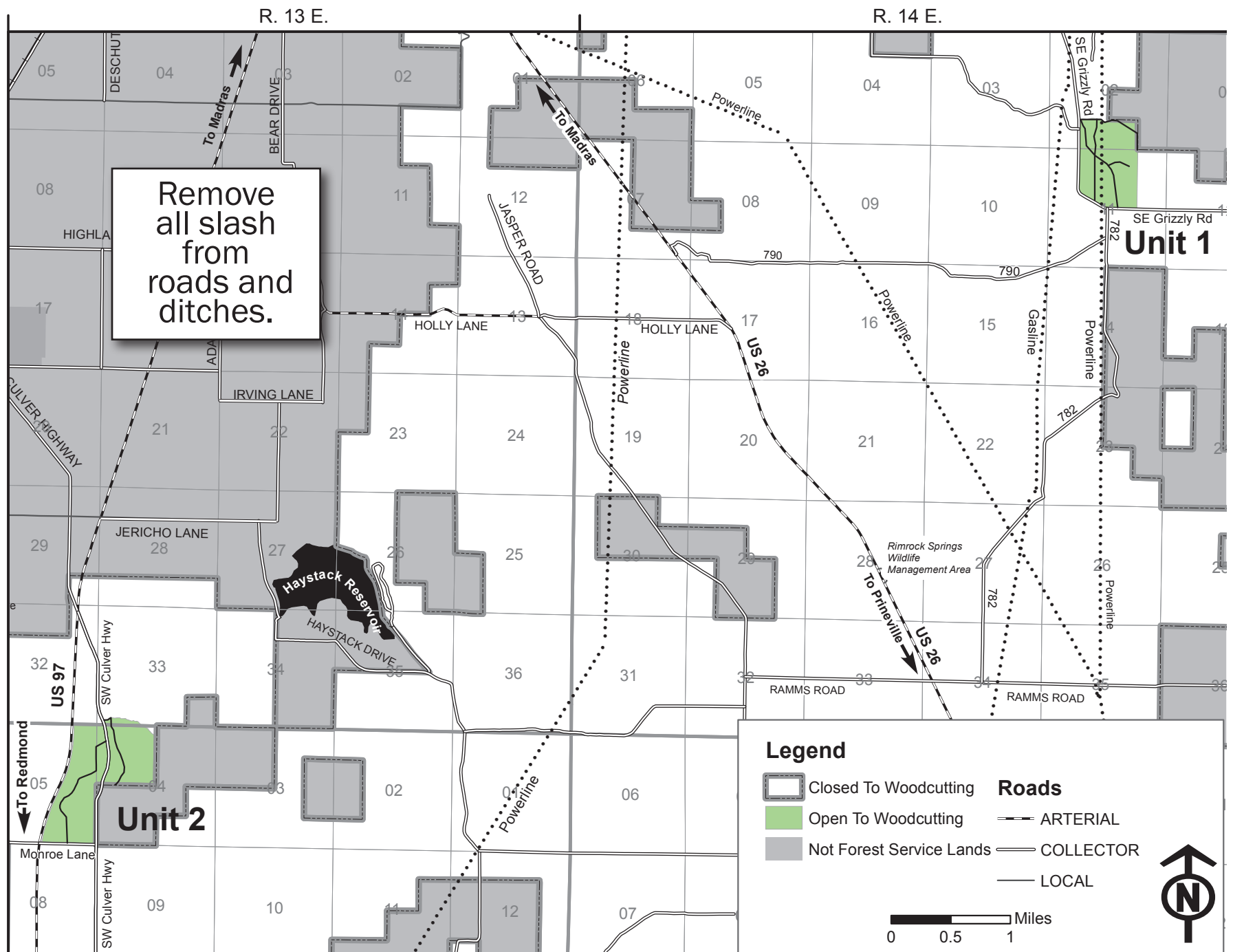
OPENS: May 1
CLOSES: November 30

YOU CAN CUT AND REMOVE: Any JUNIPER tree, live or dead, less than 22" diameter outside bark, measured 12" above the ground.

Off road access is NOT allowed.

Directions to Unit 1: Located 22 miles NW of Prineville. From Prineville, go NW on Hwy 26/Madras Hwy approximately 17 miles. Turn right (east) on Ramms Road for 1/3 mile, turn left (north) on County Road 782. Travel approximately 5 miles to SE Grizzly Road. Unit 1 is north of the County Road 782 and SE Grizzly Road intersection.

Directions to Unit 2: Located 10 miles South of Madras. From Madras, go South on Hwy 97 approximately 10 miles, turn left (east) on Monroe Lane. Unit 2 is north of Monroe Lane and east of Hwy 97.



Woodcutting Permits are available at the following locations:

Deschutes National Forest

Bend/Fort Rock Ranger District
Deschutes NF Supervisor's Office
63095 Deschutes Market Rd.
Bend, OR 97701
(541) 383-5300 or 383-4000

Ochoco National Forest

Lookout Mt. Ranger District
Paulina Ranger District
3160 NE 3rd St.
Prineville, OR 97754
(541) 416-6500

Bureau of Land Management (BLM)

Prineville District
3050 NE 3rd St.
Prineville, OR 97754
(541) 416-6700

Crooked River National Grassland

274 SW 4th St
Madras, OR 97741
(541) 475-9272

Bend

Bend Bi-Mart (541) 389-5505
Butler Market South (541) 383-0146

Crescent/La Pine

Crescent Ranger Dist. (541) 433-3200
Corner Store (541) 536-0700
Quick Stop (541) 536-2553
La Pine Bi-Mart (541) 536-9600

Prineville/Madras/Paulina

Prineville R&R Grocery (541) 447-7231
Prineville Bi-Mart (541) 447-0391
Madras Bi-Mart (541) 475-1394
Paulina Store (541) 477-3311

Redmond/Terrebonne

Redmond Air Center (541) 504-7200
Redmond Big R (541) 548-4095
Redmond Bi-Mart (541) 923-7220
Terrebonne Hardware (541) 548-8707

Sisters

Sisters Ranger District (541) 549-7700
Lutton's Ace Hardware (541) 549-8011
Sisters Bi-Mart (541) 719-2000
Sisters Rental (541) 549-9631
Mainline Station (541) 549-5400

Sunriver

Base Camp Grill (541) 598-8868
Hammer Time
Home Center (541) 593-8168

Useful Websites:

Deschutes National Forest
Ochoco National Forest
Crooked River National Grassland
www.fs.usda.gov/centraloregon

Bureau of Land Management
www.blm.gov/or/districts/prineville

NOXIOUS WEEDS devour 4,600 acres of public land doing millions of dollars worth of damage in the west each year.

Also known as exotics and invasive plants, noxious weeds:

REDUCE forage diversity and quality for wildlife and livestock

REDUCE nesting for animals

CHOKE OUT native plant life

CAN INCREASE wildfire frequency

YOU Can Help By...

Washing your vehicle prior to entering Public Lands - especially the tires, undercarriage, muffler, etc to remove any noxious weed seeds that you may have picked up along roadways.

Properly disposing of garden waste. (no dumping on Public Lands!).

Be aware and don't transport loose soil and plant parts.

Prevent the spread of NOXIOUS WEEDS



Toadflax

Toadflax is a highly competitive perennial with yellow flowers similar to snapdragons.



Spotted Knapweed

Spotted Knapweed is a deep rooted perennial. Purple to pink flowers bloom June - October.

Toadflax and Spotted Knapweed are just two of many noxious weeds threatening healthy plant communities in Central Oregon. For an extensive weed list and additional information go to:

www.deschutes.org/weeds

With the help of many volunteers, public land managers organize weed pulls, clip seed heads, put biocontrol agents (natural insect enemies) onto weed populations, arrange for herbicide spraying on certain sites, and participate in local weed boards and partnerships.

Need more information or want to join the battle against noxious weeds?

Contact Deb Mafera, Invasive Plant Program Coordinator, Ochoco and Deschutes National Forests: 541-416-6500.



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